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#### Patent Public Advisory Committee Quarterly Meeting

#### **USPTO Budget Update**

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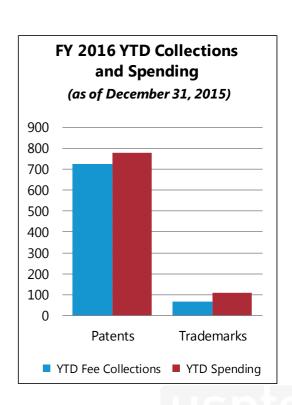
#### FY 2016 Status

- The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 passed on December 18, 2015
  - The bill provides the USPTO with the full requested level of \$3.27B for FY 2016
  - Language states that any fees collected in excess of the appropriated level will be deposited in the Patent and Trademark Fee Reserve Fund and is available until expended
  - There is no additional restrictive language or provisions in the text that adversely impacts the USPTO

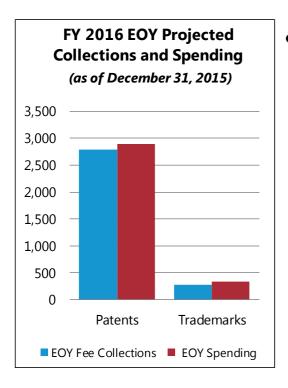


### FY 2016 Status (continued)

- As of December 31, 2015
  - Planned fee collections of \$754.6M
    - Patents: \$685.8M, Trademarks: \$68.8M
  - Year to date fee collections of \$791.9M
    - Patents: \$724.1M, Trademarks: \$67.8M
  - Year to date spending of \$884.5M
    - Patents: \$776.9M, Trademarks: \$107.6M



## FY 2016 Status (continued)



- As of December 31, 2015
  - End of year projected fee collections of \$3.07B
    - Patents: \$2.79B, Trademarks: \$279.8M
  - End of year projected spending of \$3.22B
    - Patents: \$2.89B, Trademarks: \$333.2M
  - End of year projected operating reserve of \$371.0M
    - Patents: \$318.6M, Trademarks: \$52.4M



## FY 2017 President's Budget

- The USPTO's FY 2017 budget is under preliminary review by DoC and OMB and will be finalized the week of February 1, 2016
- The FY 2017 President's Budget will be released publically on February 9, 2016



## Fee Review/Fee Rulemaking

- USPTO continues analyzing comments received to the proposed fee adjustment and is awaiting PPAC's report
- The notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) is planned to be published Summer 2016 and will include the revised fee proposal
- The proposed effective date of the fee changes is currently the Summer of 2017



# **Questions and Comments**

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